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UPCOMING EVENTS

See details in the **CALENDAR** on our website.

From Vine to Table: A guided wine & food pairing journey, Jan. 26

6 PM at Azure

Features a multi-course dinner, curated tasting menu of six wines, and experts from *The Wine School of Tenuta Torciano Winery*.

Valerie's House Italian Dinner, Jan. 29

2 - 7:30 PM

Volunteer for cooking and prep, serving and clean-up for this healing gathering of 50 to 60 children and caregivers.

Interfaith Charities Food Pantry, Feb. 3 & 19

8:30 AM - 1 PM

Join us for a fun, fulfilling morning serving at our local food pantry! Carpool from the amenities center.

Community Cooperative Mobile Food Pantry, Feb. 5 & 24

1:45 - 5:30 PM

Unload food trucks, set up tables, arrange food line, and help distribute food to clients.

Community Cooperative : Sam's Community Cafe, Feb. 17

9 AM - noon

Prepare & package meals for the National School Lunch program & Meals on Wheels. Carpool leaves at 8:15 am.

Valerie's House Lunch & Learn, Feb. 18 (see page 2)

Noon - 2 PM at WB Card Room

Pack a lunch and learn about the amazing work being done to support grieving families at our grantee *Valerie's House*.

A message from our founders

As we begin 2026, heartfelt thanks go out to our WildBlue neighbors, friends and community business partners for an extraordinary year of giving. **Together, we raised \$151,000** to fund nine grants to local charities, **contributed over 800 volunteer hours**, and provided generous in-kind donations that extended our reach even further.

Your enthusiasm and participation in our Circle of Friends gathering, "Tee It Up for Charity" golf tournament, pickleball fundraiser, and Lakeside FUNraiser brought our mission to life. These events not only raised critical funds, they also drove engagement, built community, and helped spread the word about the needs of local nonprofits and the power of neighbors helping neighbors.

Because of you, hungry neighbors were fed, furry friends were sheltered and healed, young girls were given hope and support for a brighter future, and seniors received visits, care, and smiles when they needed them most. These are the real, human moments your generosity made possible, right here in our own backyard.

A huge thank-you goes to our dedicated board and committee members, volunteers, and business sponsors whose leadership, time, and expertise made all of this possible. As a 100% volunteer-driven organization, WildBlue Charitable Neighbors depends on this spirit of service, and it continues to inspire everything we do.

Get ready for a fun and even more productive 2026 as we expand our impact and deepen our partnerships with local charities. With your continued support, WildBlue Charitable Neighbors will keep uniting our community to extend a helping hand where it is needed most.

With deepest appreciation,

Melissa and Debbie

Ladies' Pickleball Tournament, Feb. 22

9 AM - noon

Join us for fun and friendly competition as the ladies duke it out - all benefitting charity!

The Dubin Center Memory Catchers, Feb. 27

1:45 - 3 PM

Guide participants in crafts, gentle games, music, and meaningful one-on-one interactions.

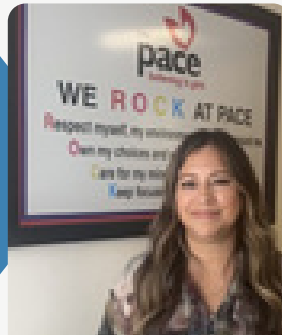
YOU make a difference... Thanks from some of our grantees

"Without your help, we wouldn't be able to do what we do every day.

It means so much to our girls when they see that there are people in the community that care about them.

What you all are doing for our PACE girls is so heartfelt and we appreciate it!"

Jenny Cellitti
Executive Director, PACE Center for Girls



"Our teen moms are getting younger...our most important role is to provide love, support and hope.

Thank you so much for your kindness, your caring, and your support."

Angela Rackley-Meadows
Executive Director, Our Mother's Home



"You all have made such a fantastic difference in the lives of our clients and our day-to-day operations.

The difference we can make because of your contributions...we can't thank you enough!"

Christine LoConte
Chief Executive Officer, The Dubin Center



Learn more about the charities you support

Beginning in February, WBCN will offer lunch-and-learn sessions to give you a chance to learn more about our non-profits. First up is **Valerie's House** on Wednesday, Feb. 18.



Bring your lunch to the WildBlue Card Room where representatives from Valerie's House will share how they live out their mission to help grieving children and their families work through the loss of a loved one and to go on to lead fulfilling lives. Learn about the many ways they help with peer support, therapy, school groups, mentorship, events and other support. Hear from some of our volunteers who have supported Valerie's House through donations and volunteer service.

Please join us in supporting their vision where "No Child Will Grieve Alone." Watch for registration information coming soon on our WildBlue Charitable Neighbors Facebook page.



Save the Date!

At our **next lunch-and-learn on April 22**, hear about **food insecurity** in Lee County from Interfaith Charities and Community Cooperative.

Special thanks to the **WildBlue Knitting Club** for creating beautiful blankets for the moms and kids at Our Mother's Home.

Here's just a small sample of their beautiful work.



Joey and Maria's Wedding Comedy Event at Azure

Monday, March 2
Registration open NOW on the WildBlue app!

Rally for Charity Tennis Tournament

Sunday, March 8

Bam Bird Benefit, Maj Jongg Fundraiser

Tuesday, March 24

TEE IT UP for Charity Annual Golf Event

Saturday, April 25

Our mission is to unite our neighbors to extend a helping hand to local charities and non-profits by raising awareness, fundraising and volunteer service. Together we can do more!

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